How Can Schools Address Local Environmental Issues?











Mission

To challenge students and communities to create a sustainable region through educational experiences that transform school environments.







WA Green Schools Vision

Every school in Washington will teach, model, and practice environmental sustainability, serving as centers for change throughout the region.













History

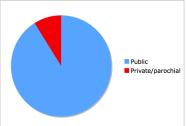
- Launched statewide in August 2009
- Founded by agency educators
- Initial funding from Dept. of Ecology
- Became a non-profit in 2011





WA Green Schools

- 200 participating
- 49 certified
- Over 100,00 students affected







Environmental Categories



- Energy
- Healthy School Buildings
- Transportation
- Waste and Recycling
- Water



Certification Process

- 1. Form Green Team
- 2. Assess
- 3. Create Lasting Change
- 4. Take more Action
- 5. Verify Results
- 6. Share Results
- 7. Submit and Certify





Call to Action







Student Summit









Maple Elementary

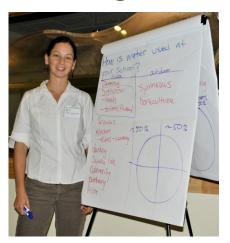
- Seattle Public School
- Level 1 (Waste) and Level 2 (Water)
- Switched to reusable and bulk in cafeteria
- Started composting
- Stenciled storm drains and educated neighbors





Teacher Training







Related Local Issues

- Energy
- Healthy School Buildings (Toxics and Air Quality)
- Transportation
- Waste and Recycling
- Water





Thank You



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